



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1712
Patrick Leempoel, et al)
Serial Number: 10/008,282) Examiner: Margaret Moore
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Title: PROCESS FOR THE) Remarks
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Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir and Madam:

The applicant has studied the office action, its application to the instant claims and can state that it is believed by the applicant that the amendments overcome the rejection of claim 3 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph.

The applicant believes that the amendments to the claims overcome the rejection of claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 9 and 15 to 18 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Haas et al.

The applicant believes that the amendments to the claims overcome the rejection of claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 9, and 15 to 18 as rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Knepper, et al.

The applicant believes that the amendments to the claims overcome the rejection of claims 3, 4 and 8 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Haas et al. or Knepper et al, because of the amendments to claim 1 on which each of the claims 3, 4, and 8 are ultimately dependent.



It is noted that claims 10 to 14 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, and since claim 10 is now deleted and the base claim has been amended, it is believed that this objection has now been overcome.

Adachi et al., Dziark et al. and Beljanski et al have been noted and the applicant agrees with the Examiner that they are of general interest and do not reflect art that is closer than relied on by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert L. McKellar".

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